# City of San Jose Sports Fields Study Meeting Notes

<b>Meeting Type</b>	Community Sports Fields Study Monthly Committee Meeting				
Subcommittee					
Committee	5/14/2007 Meeting: Don Gagliardi				
Chair					
City Staff	Cynthia Bojorquez				
<b>Meeting Date</b>	Monday, May 14, 2007				
Meeting	Berryessa Youth Center				
Location	1970 Morrill Avenue				

#### **Committee Members**

Attendees: Jan Uchiyama-Nowack, Chuck Shepherd, Don Gagliardi, Jeff Dixon, Ike White, John Fensterwald, Cynthia Bojorquez, Matt Cano, Hal Spangenberg

Absent: Terry Thompson, Rob MacDonald, Melanie Richardson

#### **Notes**

## I. Welcome/Overview of the Agenda

Cynthia Bojorquez introduced the Committee Chairs present and a short overview of the agenda and purpose for the Community Sports Field Feasibility Study. Representatives from City Council District 9, DeAnza Park neighborhood were present to discuss the issue of park overbooking and the parking issues that impact their neighborhood resulting from the organized sports activities in their neighborhoods. Representatives presented the Committee members with pictures of parked cars and traffic impacting their homes and safety. Cynthia Bojorquez, Deputy Director, PRNS, explained that the Community Sports Field Study's purpose was to review all aspects of the sports program, not just providing additional sites but to address operational efficiency, new opportunities, partnering opportunities and scheduling and permitting processes. Committee members encouraged the community members present to join the process and work with one of the subcommittees to work toward a resolution to the issues of overbooking and parking. The Committee members added that this is a City-wide issue due to the lack of field availability.

Cynthia detailed the draft survey to the Committee and how it would be distributed to the users. Cynthia explained that the cities to be surveyed included: Houston, San Francisco, Henderson (NV), Denver, San Diego, Sacramento, Fresno, Dallas, and Seattle. Don Gagliardi requested Morgan Hill be added to the survey list. The cities to be surveyed were selected because of similar size, weather, and population or that they may have implemented a unique feature that San José would like to explore or replicate.

### **II. Subcommittee Reports**

Jeff Dixon and Hal Spangenberg were present from Subcommittee 5 – Scheduling and Permitting Process reported out to the Committee. Jeff Dixon stated that community would like to see parks calendars online and that there is currently software available. Cynthia indicated that would be part of the process as a formal request for funding would have to go to City Council for approval.

Jeff stated that at their next meeting on May 23 they would be viewing RecWare which is the software the City currently uses for reserving sports fields.

## III. Kelley Park Feasibility Study

Matt Cano provided an update on the Kelly Park Feasibility Study. Matt stated that there is currently undeveloped land on the south end of the Park that is being reviewed as a potential site for a sports field complex. The land is currently located in the Coyote Creek flood plain and that issue is being reviewed including costs. A consultant should be on board within the next couple of months to do the study to review the feasibility of using the site for sports activities.

Cynthia stated that the City is looking at ways to partner with other entities to improve, expand and share available sports field inventories. Cynthia gave San José State University South Campus, PAL Stadium, and the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds are examples of potential partnering possibilities.

## VI. Meeting Schedule

The next Community Sports Feasibility Study Committee meeting will be held June 11, 6:00-7:30 PM at Alum Rock Youth Center, 137 N. White Road, San José, CA.

### V. Oral Communications

Don Gagliardi motioned to accept the subcommittee minutes included in the meeting packet. Colin McCarthy seconded the motion. Motion to accept subcommittee minutes:

- 1. Inventory Existing Properties April 5, 2007, May 3, 2007
- 2. New Opportunities April 12, 2007, May 10, 2007
- 3. Inventory Sports User Groups April 19, 2007
- 4. Operational Efficiency: May 1, 2007
- 5. Scheduling and Permitting Process April 25, 2007

Motion passed.

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